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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

At Richmond, NOVEMBER 12, 1998

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE980462

For Approval of Expenditures for New Generation Facilities pursuant to Va. Code § 56-234.3 and for a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to Va. Code § 56-265.2

ORDER PERMITTING RESPONSES TO MOTION

On November 10, 1998, Virginia Independent Power Producers, Inc. ("VIPP") filed a Motion for Relief ("November 10 Motion") in the above-captioned proceeding. VIPP states that the expert witness it intends to present at the hearing will be out of town at the time the hearing is currently scheduled to commence; i.e., on January 5, 1999. VIPP requests that the Commission reschedule the hearing to commence on January 11, 1999, so that its witness can attend. In the alternative, VIPP requests that the Commission allow its witness to participate by telephone, with all expenses of such arrangement to be borne by VIPP. VIPP also requests that the Commission accelerate the process of allowing responses to the motion, and decide this matter expeditiously.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the foregoing, is of the opinion and finds that Commission Staff and parties should be provided an opportunity to respond to the

November 10 Motion, and VIPP to reply to any responses that are filed. Therefore, we will permit Staff and parties to file a response to the November 10 Motion on or before November 19, 1998, and VIPP to file a reply to any responses that may be filed on or before November 23, 1998. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) Staff and parties may file a response to the November 10 Motion on or before November 19, 1998.
- (2) VIPP may file a reply to any responses regarding the November 10 Motion on or before November 23, 1998.